

CHAPTER 102

POSSESSION OF DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS — BENGALS AND SAVANNAHS EXCEPTION

S.F. 247

AN ACT providing for the possession of cats classified as bengals and savannahs.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 717F.1, subsection 5, paragraph b, Code 2013, is amended to read as follows:

b. “*Dangerous wild animal*” includes an animal which is the offspring of an animal provided in paragraph “a”, and another animal provided in that paragraph or any other animal. It also includes animals which are the offspring of each subsequent generation. However, a dangerous wild animal does not include any of the following:

(1) The offspring of a domestic dog and a wolf, or the offspring from each subsequent generation in which at least one parent is a domestic dog.

(2) (a) The offspring of a domestic cat and another member of the family felidae classified as a bengal with an ancestor classified as an Asian leopard cat which is a member of the species *prionailurus bengalensis*. The bengal must be the fourth or later filial generation of offspring with the first filial generation being the offspring of a domestic cat and an Asian leopard cat, and each subsequent generation being the offspring of a domestic cat.

(b) The offspring of a domestic cat and another member of the family felidae classified as a savannah with an ancestor classified as a serval which is a member of the species *leptailurus serval*. The savannah must be the fourth or later filial generation of offspring with the first filial generation being the offspring of a domestic cat and a serval, and each subsequent generation being the offspring of a domestic cat.

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